REMARKS

Restriction/Election

Claims 1-24 were restricted under 35 U.S.C. §121 as being drawn to separate and distinct inventions. The Examiner has restricted the embodiments as follows:

Group I - Claims 1-18

Group II - Claims 1-12 and 19-24

Applicant elects <u>Group I (Claims 1-18)</u> for further prosecution in this case without traverse. Applicant withdraws Claims 19-24 from further consideration in this case, but reserves the right to file a divisional application on that embodiment.

If the Examiner believes that direct communication with the Applicant's attorney would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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